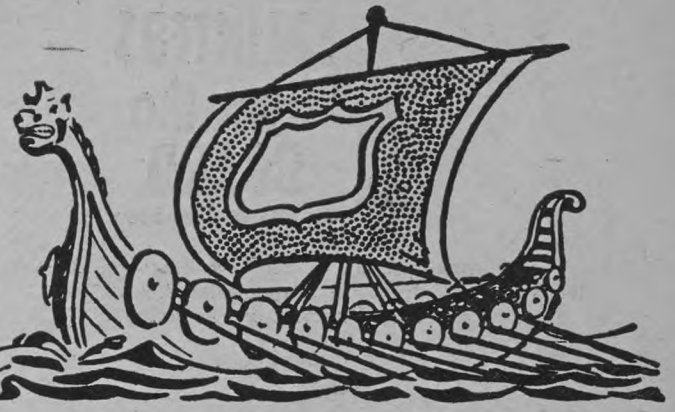




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Thorvaldson President

CHARTER FLIGHTS (1971)

By Paul Karvonen

As the new Director of Scandinavian Centre Flights I would like to welcome and thank everyone who is participating in our 1971 flight program. Through necessity we, as shareholders of the Scandinavian Centre, must rally together and support our charter flights to the utmost.

Our past record of charter flights (34 flights until 1971) is something which we are all proud of and would like to maintain. The success of these past flights and the future ones can be attributed to the hard work of the directors and organizers, and also to the interest and co-operation of all Scandinavian ethnic groups toward the Centre.

If you, as a shareholder, are interested in one of our three flights this year, I urge you to send your application in at once because the departure dates are getting nearer.

Getting to Scandinavia is easy through the Scandinavian Centre Charter Flights.

The following article relates to you that, once in Scandinavia, getting around there is also easy.

GETTING AROUND IS EASY

Although Scandinavia embraces some 450,000 square miles, making her the largest area in Europe except for the Soviet Union, Scandinavia is probably one of the easiest places to explore, because of her vast network of modern transportation facilities. Air routes linking all tourist areas make the Top of Europe as accessible as the popular capitals. New ferries combine the luxuries of transatlantic passenger lines with the most advanced amenities for carrying automobiles. Hydrofoils speed across water routes in a fraction of the time it took yesterday's steamers. Electrified railways provide superb services, and well-kept roads permit the bus traveler and motorist to wander far off the beaten path, from the "green



PAUL KARVONEN



GUNNAR THORVALDSON

President

roads" of Denmark to the Arctic highways linking northern Finland, Sweden and Norway.

On Iceland the domestic airline operates fourteen routes. During summer there are regular boat services along parts of the coast. A Scandinavian specialty is the tour that is also a means of transportation. In other words, you are not just taken to see the sights and returned to where you came from, but you are carried, with your baggage, from one major centre to another, hitting all the highlights en route. You can fit the tours together, like pieces in a jigsaw puzzle, to suit your personal preferences and the time you have at your disposal.

When you leave gay Copenhagen, for example, there are several ways to see Denmark's fairy-tale countryside of thatched roofed farm houses, tiny towns where geese walk up narrow, cobble stone streets and the moated castles which inspired Hans

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DIRECTORS TAKE POSITIONS FOR COMING YEAR

At the director's organizational meeting on March 1st, Gunnar Thorvaldson was named president of the Scandinavian Centre.

He was born and raised in Oak Point, Manitoba. He married the former Shirley Edgar in 1956 and they have three children — Gary, Cindy and Carla. They moved from Winnipeg to Edmonton in 1961 and he became a shareholder in the Centre the same year. He is in his 6th year as a director and has previously been director of publicity, Scandinavian Centre News and Flights.

Gunnar has worked for CN Telecommunications since 1949 and is presently Plant Extension Supervisor (Outside Plant). His job entails considerable travelling and takes him as far as the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

He is very proud of his Icelandic heritage and has been an active member of the Icelandic Society of Edmonton since arriving here. He is also a member of their singing group, the Saga Singers, and enjoys singing Icelandic songs.

Mr. Thorvaldson has helped with "Scandapades" in various ways over the years — set construction, taking part in the show, overseeing publicity and selling tickets.

Gunnar has always been a

staunch supporter of the Scandinavian Centre and agrees with its purposes. He would like to see the Scandinavian Centre continue to grow at a rate of about 200 or 300 new shareholders a year. This would enable the Centre to carry on with its cultural functions. He would also like to see Scandinavians co-operate in such matters as flights so that all charters and group flights from Edmonton would emanate from the Centre.

"The present co-operation between the Scandinavian countries, particularly in matters relating to human welfare, is admired by the entire world. Their example is what we would like to follow," he said.

SEE "Splinters From The Board"

Wardair Continues Operations

Wardair Ltd. of Edmonton was denied permission to launch a Supreme Court of Canada appeal against a recent ruling of the Canadian Transport Commission.

The commission has ordered Wardair to post a performance guarantee to cover prepayments by customers chartering flights.

The Supreme Court action will have "no effect whatsoever" on the operations of Wardair, as the company has already met the requirement of posting the prepayment guarantee, executive vice-president Tom Spalding said in Edmonton.

He said the requirement was met

some weeks ago, and that the charter company carried on with the appeal strictly as a matter of principle with respect to power of CTC.

Mr. Spalding added that the appeal is still before the minister of transport in Ottawa, and he has yet to make a decision. The Supreme Court attempt was just a part of the appeal procedure.

In a motion before the high court, Wardair argued that the commission was going beyond its powers in making the order. The airline also argued that the commission was interfering in contracts between Wardair and its customers.

Sweden's Lockout Ends

Sweden's Socialist government made legislation ordering thousands of striking civil servants back to work, ending the retaliatory lockouts which raised the number of government employees off the job to nearly 50,000.

Premier Olof Palme's cabinet said the back-to-work law will give mediators more time to negotiate with leaders of the strike for higher wages that began Jan. 28.

All lockouts ordered by the government ended at midnight March 10. It had locked out employees in various non-striking offices in an attempt to generate pressure on the strikers to return to work.

The government also withdrew a threat to lock out 3,000 of the 5,300 officers in the armed services.

New Government For Norway

Labor party leader Trygve Bratteli announced a new minority government for Norway, resuming the 30 years of Labor rule which ended in 1965.

Bratteli, 61, told a news conference, after accepting King Olav's call to set up a government, his ministers would continue negotiations to join the European Common Market. The Labor party has 74 of the 150 parliamentary seats, two short of a majority.

A political crisis on March 2 led to the resignation of the four-party government of Prime Minister Per Borten, after he admitted he had shown a confidential report on negotiations concerning entry to the European Economic Community to the leader of an anti-Market group.



Cobblestoned streets of Ebeltøft of Jutland, Denmark

SPLINTERS from the BOARD

By Claus Jacobsen

MEETING

The first meeting of the new Board of Directors was held on Monday, March 1, at the Scandinavian Centre. The Board of Directors are as follows:

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Meetings are set for the second Monday of each month.

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RADIO REPORT

Listen to The Scandinavian Show on Radio Station CFCW every Saturday morning at 10:30 — 790 kc on your AM dial. The Scandinavian Centre Report is broadcast on this program at approximately 11:25 a.m.

Gary Johnson will be giving the report in April. If you have something of interest for the broadcast, give Gary a call at 489-3808.

The report during May will be given by Claus Jacobsen.



Letter Of Thanks

"SCANDAPADES '71" was evaluated as an outstanding success due to the efforts of a very large group of co-operative people:

The Director of the show	Jack McCreath
Script Writer	Gary Johnson
Stage Manager	Harv. Haugen
Property Director	Bengt Kristiansson
Make-up Director and her staff	Betty Travis
Costume Co-ordinator	Gladys Clark
Narrator	Don Shaw
Set Design and staff	Knut Svidal
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THE PERFORMING ARTISTS

Viola Wallbank
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Oli the Swede (William Clifford)
Harlam Sorenson
The I.O.F. Swinging Lamplighters Squaredancers.
and their caller, Frank Dorword
Peter Carstinson

And to the five ethnic groups for the efforts they put forth in depicting scenes from their cultural background in a stage setting of their native land. The Scandinavian Centre was the place of the rehearsals every Sunday, Thursday and Tuesday. It was necessary to hold meetings as well. I wish to extend a thank you to Edna Smith, the manageress of the Centre, and her staff for their assistance.

It was indeed a pleasure sharing with all concerned the tasks of staging SCANDAPADES '71.

I thank you all.

Margaret Cameron,
Co-ordinator.

How is the Date of Easter fixed

In early times all countries did not keep Easter on the same date. The churches of Asia Minor celebrated it on the same day as the Jews kept their Passover, while the churches of the West, remembering that Jesus rose on a Sunday, kept Easter on Sunday following the Passover Day. Various attempts to reconcile these two practices failed, and then the Council of Nicaea passed a decree that everywhere the great feast should be observed upon the same day, that day to be the Sunday following the Jewish Passover.

To prevent further disputes, four rules were laid down for the fixing of the date.

It was decided that March 21 should be regarded as the spring equinox — the time in spring when day and night are equal; that the full moon on that date, or the next after that date, should be taken for the full moon of the Passover month; that the Sunday following full moon should be Easter Day; and that if the full moon happened on a Sunday Easter should be the Sunday after. This plan has been observed ever since, and by it the day of Easter is fixed.

In carrying out the arrangement for the fixing of Easter various difficulties have arisen during the centuries owing to the fact that the moons do not correspond exactly with the calendar. A series, or cycle, of 19 years has therefore been taken and numbered from 1 to 19, the numbers being known as Golden Numbers. Then to each of these years has also been given a number which is the age, reckoned in days, of the moon at the beginning of the year. The numbers in this second series are known as Epacts, and from the Golden Number and Epact the full moon for deciding the date of Easter in any year may be worked out.

It is curious that in arranging the date of Easter according to rule, the spring equinox is a calculated date and not the actual spring equinox; the moon referred to is not the actual moon shining in the sky, but a mathematically calculated complete circular moon, but a supposed full moon according to certain averaging over a course of years. All this is due to the imperfections of the calendar, which never corresponds exactly with the real movements of the sun and moon.

By means of the Golden Number and the Epact, which can always be found in any good almanac, a clever boy or girl can work out the date of Easter for any year. The earliest date on which Easter Sunday can fall is March 22, but that will not occur till the year 2285, and the latest possible date is April 25, which fell in 1943.

The reason nineteen years are taken to form a cycle for reckoning the Golden Numbers is that after nineteen years on a given day of the month the moon is approximately in the same position in the sky as it was nineteen years before, so that nineteen forms a complete series.

Volunteer Week In April

National Volunteer Week will be held April 5 - 10 and Mayor Ivor Dent will be proclaiming Volunteer Week locally.

The week is being observed across Canada and in the United States as a salute to volunteers. Information booths will be in all major shopping centres. There will be window displays in downtown department stores and other centres. This is being arranged and co-ordinated by the Central Volunteer Bureau, which acts as a registry to co-ordinate and promote volunteer services.

LETTERS

Dear Mr. and Mrs. G. Thorvaldson:

We are writing to tell you we like The Scandinavian Centre newspaper very much, and wish we were closer to Edmonton so we could join you in everything the Centre puts on. We think it is a great and valuable association. Good luck and we wish to help a little with the enclosed donation.

Sincerely,

Ken and Ulla Ashworth,
Deadwood, Alberta

Scandinavian Documentation Center

Scandoc, the Scandinavian Documentation Centre in Washington, D.C., was established in 1960. Its main function is to supply to the Scandinavian countries information such as research and conference reports, specifications and other publications from the U.S. and Canada. The board of Scandoc consists of an advisory council in Scandinavia and a local administrative board in Washington, D.C.

During the first ten years of its existence, Scandoc received more than 25,000 commissions from Scandinavia. From 1968 to 1969, the number of commissions increased by 30 percent from 2,646 to 3,366, respectively. In 1969, 8.1 percent of the commissions came from Denmark, 41.7 percent from Finland, 38.2 percent from Sweden and 12 percent from Norway.

For further information, write Scandoc, 2136 P Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20037.

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Christian Andersen's fairy tales.

The most popular route leads you in four days to Gothenburg, Sweden, or to Oslo, Norway. Or, why not take a plane or a car-ferry to Helsinki, Finland, and start your Scandinavian round trip from there?

From Gothenburg, the routes to Stockholm, "the city on the water", usually include the idyllic Gota Canal district. More southerly routes from Copenhagen via Malmö, Sweden, take you through the Chateaux Country, with more than 80 castles — many open to visitors — and through the Glass District, where 40 factories, working in charming settings, produce the beautiful Swedish glass.

From Stockholm to Oslo, Norway, choose between the folklore province of Dalarna, whose inhabitants proudly cling to colorful traditions, and the Swedish Lake District, so rich in literary mementos. Or turn east from Stockholm to Finland, where other tours from Helsinki, "the white city of the north", show you Aulanko, Finland's most fashionable resort, in a national park near Sibelius' birthplace, or focus attention on the vast Eastern lake district, where white steamers take you from one little town to the other.

From Oslo, the Viking capital, almost all roads lead to the fjords of western Norway and culminate in Bergen, the capital city of Norway's Fjord Country. But increasingly, eyes turn to northern Scandinavia, where nomadic Lapps tend reindeer herds, the Midnight Sun is visible from May through July and rushing rivers rich in salmon attract sportsmen. Tours from Helsinki, Stockholm and Oslo, take you there and often include the North Cape, the 1,000-foot-high rock which marks Europe's northernmost point.

Have we covered every place in Scandinavia? Indeed not, for Scandinavia hides other untold scenic treasures. We offer this only as a start in the hope that it will help you discover your own favorite spot and that you'll come back and tell us about it. Plan your visit to pleasant Scandinavia now. Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden are waiting to welcome you.

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ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

By Lillian MacPherson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Executive Meeting:

Crowning of the Fjallkona: Sunday, April 24, at 2:30 p.m. Scandinavian Centre.

Many Icelanders were again involved in Scandapades, both on stage and behind the scenes. Congratulations to Margaret Cameron who was in charge of the whole show for the Scandinavian Centre, for engineering a very successful evening. Thanks to:

Jo Wetterberg and Olive Goodman who organized our portion of the display.

Jonina Eamon and committee who worked on the coffee after the show.

Freda Smith who took charge of the Icelandic portion of the show, rounding up people, ideas, props, and costumes, criticizing, coaxing, cajoling and congratulating the participants. It wasn't an easy job.

Della Roland who performed the miraculous task of keeping an often-disgruntled crew going and working.

The crew who finally got up on the stage after two months' practice especially Solli Sigurdson, the mainstay, and the "extras" — husbands and mothers, who came to fill up the spaces and take part in the action — the Valgardson family, Mrs. Nordal, Mrs. Einarson, Chuck Smith, Cec Couves and Lorne MacPherson.

Marino Kristjanson, Alda and Freya, for opening the whole show. Viola Wallbank, who along with Solli, was our representative in the second half of the show.

Don Shaw, whose velvet voice pulled the whole show together.

Everyone else who helped, took part, or came to watch the performance. It was a good night.

Gordon Janssen was married to Jeannie Pohl Jan. 23, at Trinity United Church by the Rev. McNeil. Gordon is the son of Victor and Kay Janssen, and Jeannie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pohl. The bride was attended by two sisters, Florence Lawyer and Carol Webber; the groom was attended by his brothers, Dale and Doug Janssen. The reception was held at the Saxony Motor Hotel. The toast to the bride was given by the bride's uncle. After honeymooning in Banff, the couple is residing in Edmonton, where Gordon is a student at the University of Alberta in Business Administration.

Mrs. Sadie Lee is now living in the West Park Nursing Home in Red Deer. It was very pleasant to see her at the Thorablott in February.

Judy and Jim Thorsteinson and their six weeks old son, Derek, have come to Edmonton from Winnipeg. He is on a training program with Poole Construction for three months. They are residing in Douglas Towers. Judy and Jim are both originally from Lundar, Man. Jim is Bill Hall-dorson's nephew.

Victor Janssen was in Ottawa as one of the representatives for the provincial government negotiating federal-provincial cost-shared agreements as related to the Lesser Slave Lake area in Alberta. Discussions were with the Department of Regional Economic Expansion, Canada Manpower, Department of Transport and others. These talks should culminate this summer in an agreement for the Lesser Slave Lake Area. Immediately following this trip, Mr. Janssen gave a paper at a conference in Banff of the Alberta Human Resources Development Authority staff.

Congratulations to Tody Halldorson who now has a new position as supervisor of nineteen food units for CaterPlan, a new division of the C.N.I.B.

Tody Halldorson's sister, Bertha Tyndal, from Winnipeg, spent a week-end here with the Halldorson's. Mrs. Gertrude Breckman just returned to Lundar after visiting with the Halldorson's for three months.

Marino Kristjanson spent two weeks in Britain in March as part of a group of planners for Athabasca University who were looking at universities in Britain.

Mr. Mike Johnson returned Sat., March 6, from a holiday in Vancouver and Victoria. Among other relatives and friends, he visited with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Johnson, who make their home in the Icelandic home Hofn. He also spent a day in Tacoma, Wash., with his nephew, Duncan Shand, and family. Duncan is Air Carrier Operations Inspector for the U.S. Government at the Boeing 707-730 plant in Seattle. The weather at the coast was quite cool and unsettled, with rain and snow alternating almost daily.

Funeral Services Held For Lauritz Larsen

Funeral Services were held in Edmonton Feb. 8 for Lauritz Larsen, the co-founder and former managing director of Merco Wholesale Ltd.

Mr. Larsen, 87, of 8902 117 St., was born in Norway.

He emigrated to Canada in 1906, starting a wholesale company here in 1929.

He retired in 1969 at the age of 85.

Mr. Larsen built the first building and opened his first store at Hay Lakes remaining there for seventeen years, later operating a chain of stores in Camrose, New Norway, Castor, Irma, Rimbey, Viking and Westlock under the trade name of Nu-Way Stores. He took up permanent residence in Edmonton in 1926.

Mr. Larsen was a member of the Sons of Norway "Solglyt" Lodge for over 25 years although unable to attend meetings the past two or three years. He was also a member of the Canadian Club and a former member of the Kiwanis

Club for 25 years, the Chamber of Commerce, Mayfair Golf and Country Club and the Edmonton Gun Club. He won many awards for marksmanship.

He is survived by his wife, Inga; one daughter, Mrs. Harold (Louise) Love of Calgary; two grandchildren, John Love of Edmonton and Barbara Love of Calgary; one brother Sigurd of Hamar, Norway.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. W. Braine from Foster and McCarvey chapel followed by burial at the Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Prince Marries Commoner

Prince Christian a nephew of King Frederick of Denmark, married a pretty jobless sales girl in a Copenhagen ceremony attended by most of Denmark's royal family.

By marrying a commoner, Anne Dorthe Maltot-Nielsen, 21, the 28-year-old prince, who is the youngest son of Prince Knud, the king's brother, resigned rights to the Danish crown.

Icelandic Guests Honored In Edmonton

The Icelandic Society was honored to have as its guests in Edmonton, Andres Bjornsson, Director General of the Icelandic State Radio and Television Broadcasting Services, and his wife, Margret. Edmonton was the last stop on a three weeks speaking tour in North America sponsored by the University of Manitoba, the Icelandic National League and Icelandair.

On Wednesday, March 10, shortly after arriving in the city, Mr. Bjornsson spoke at the University of Alberta on the HISTORICAL NOVEL IN MODERN ICELANDIC LITERATURE. This talk was sponsored by the Department of Germanic Languages at the University, and he was introduced by Christopher Hale who teaches Scandinavian languages and literature in the department.

The lecture concentrated on four novelists who have used the old sagas as a basis for their writings. These men wanted to reach a large number of readers than Iceland offered so they wrote in foreign languages. Gudmundur Kamban, Fridrik a Brekkan and Gunnar Gunnarsson wrote in Danish and Kristmann Gudmundsson wrote in Norwegian. They have been quite successful and some of their works have now been translated into English, Icelandic and other languages. He ended up speaking about Hall-dor Laxness, who also used the sagas as a basis but did all his writing in Icelandic.

After the lecture, Mr. Bjornsson answered questions from the audience. Most of the questions dealt with Laxness and his work, particularly a book he wrote about two fosterbrothers. One brother killed people for enjoyment and the other brother wrote poetry about it. In Icelandic the book is called "GER-PLA". It was translated to Norwegian, then the Norwegian edition translated to English. The name in English is "THE HAPPY WARRIORS".

On Thursday, March 11, after a busy day of interviews at the University, the Bjornsson's were entertained by the Icelandic community at the Scandinavian Centre. This was a coffee party and rather informal. Everyone had an opportunity to meet and chat with them.

Some of the ladies from the Saga Singers were in their Icelandic National costumes which added to the atmosphere and was obviously appreciated by the guests. Mrs. Bjornsson, whose Icelandic name is Margret Vilhjaldsdottir, was presented with a gardenia corsage and the ladies' Auxiliary gave her one of their cookbooks.

Mr. Bjornsson spoke briefly of their pleasant sojourn in Edmonton and was most sincere in expressing his appreciation. He said: "I thought I knew quite a lot about Western Icelanders but I have learned a lot more on this trip. I hope I am not saying anything wrong but the Edmonton Icelanders seem to be the most Icelandic of any".

This was nice to hear and was well applauded.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne MacPherson were pleased to have the Bjornsson's as their guests during their stay in Edmonton.

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Scandinavian Fruit Soup

Fruit soups are served throughout the Scandinavian countries. There are dozens of versions, but the general recipe is pretty much the same.

Fruit of one kind or another is cooked to a pulp, rubbed through a sieve (you could use your blender) then thickened with corn starch, potato flour, or what is easier tapioca. At night the soup may have a little white or red wine added to each bowlful but rarely during the daytime.

Many people look on them as strictly a chilled dessert soup, but most of them may be served hot or cold. If hot, very small dumplings or fried bread cubes may be added. If cold, it is customary to pass a plateful of tiny macaroons, almond or lemon flavored cookies.

Here is a version suitable for this time of year when fresh fruits aren't available. In two quarts of water soak 1 cup dried apricots, ¼ cup dried apples, ½ cup pitted dried prunes and ½ cup seedless raisins for about two hours. Without draining, add ¼ to ½ cup sugar, 3 tblsp. quick cooking tapioca, a 3 inch cinnamon stick, 6 whole cloves and a tsp. of grated orange peel.

Bring to a boil, then simmer covered for an hour or until the fruits are very tender. Take from the heat, add 1 cup red raspberry juice and blenderize. Chill thoroughly.

Serve in soup cups or glass dessert dishes, each serving topped with a dollop of whipped cream sprinkled with slivered blanched almonds.

A tablespoon of port wine added to each serving before garnishing does a lot for the soup. If you want to serve at table, directly from the tureen, you can keep it beautifully chilled by imbedding that in a larger bowl of cracked ice. Grape juice may be used in place of the raspberry.

A very simple version uses cranberry juice, very appropriate, since cranberries most nearly resemble Swedish lagoonberries. Here you combine ¼ cup quick cooking tapioca, ½ cup sugar, 1/8 tsp. salt, ½ cup water and 2 cups cranberry juice.

Cook over medium heat till it comes to a boil. Take from heat, cool to room temperature, then refrigerate. At serving time, top with whipped cream. You should really cook up a dress rehearsal of any fruit soup so you would know whether you liked it or not, or you might want more or less sweetening. Taste it both hot and cold so you know which you prefer.

DDT in Roe

Cod roe from the Baltic has been declared a health hazard and barred from sales by Swedish authorities. "Very considerable quantities of DDT have been found in the roe," a spokesman for the department of fisheries said.

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By Molly Cooper

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 17, 8:00 p.m.

BINGO will be held in the Viking Room, Scandinavian Centre. Admission: 2 cards for \$1.00, extra cards 25c each.

Mrs. Crystal McDonald Fleuty has the honor of being adjudicator at the Music Festival in North Battleford, Sask., in April.

Mr. Carl Elgstrand says that the Sunshine Group has been well received wherever they have been. They have been invited back to the

Good Samaritan Hospital and Good Samaritan Nursing Home.

The General meeting and Initiation of 35 new members was held on Wed., March 10, at 8 p.m.

The members were entertained by Mr. Carl Elgstrand, Mr. Stan Hafso and Mr. Del Melsness. The ladies served a delicious lunch.

Mr. Einar Garstad of Edmonton left for Hanover, Germany, in March for a three weeks period prior to his transfer to Stavanger, Norway, for a two years contract as sales manager for Christensen's Diamond Products, connected with oil drilling in the North Sea.

His wife, Margaret, and son, Kevin, will join him in the near future.

Mrs. Anita Trappier from Victoria, B.C., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Searl, spent the weekend of Feb. 25 visiting her mother who celebrated her birthday at W.W. Cross Hospital. Her sister, Mrs. Clara Sundby, from Swift Current, Sask., arrived in time for the Birthday Party. Mrs. Searl is now home from the hospital.

Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen spent the weekend of March 12 in Calgary helping her two oldest grandsons celebrate their birthdays.

The next cooking class will meet May 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Scandinavian Centre. Anyone interested should phone Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen at 422-5990.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to those who may be in hospital or ill at home.

Mr. Frederick Jansen of Holyrood Nursing Home, 95 Ave. and 80 St., appreciates visits from our Lodge members.

Mr. Fred Wibe and Mrs. Molly Cooper visited him recently.

Next month's reporter will be Mrs. Henriette Johnsrude, Phone 475-4642.

KNOW YOUR ALBERTA

Model Crows Identify Pass

The oversize replica of a crow facing a smaller crow in an immense nest atop a sturdy fir tree makes a lasting impression on the traveller entering the Crowsnest Pass area of Alberta.

The models, one standing at either boundary of Blairmore on Highway 3, are the result of original thinking and action by the Blairmore Board of Trade, in seeking a "gimmick" that would make the name of their community endure in the mind of the traveller.

The models were made by a young Blairmore resident, Franz Koci. He made them at the suggestion of the Blairmore Board of Trade. Not only did the town and the Board co-operate in the construction of the unique markers, but the Reserve Army unit, R.C.E.M.E., assisted in the actual erection procedures.

Appearance of the Crowsnest Pass symbols marks another example of efforts on the part of Alberta communities to make their municipality and its attractions memorable to visitors, to encourage their return.

J. T. Thorson To Speak In Edmonton

Joseph T. Thorson, chairman of the "Single Canada League" and former Chief Justice of Canada, is again scheduled to speak in Edmonton.

While speaking here in June 1969 he formed the "Single Canada League" and was unanimously elected by a standing ovation to be its head. Since that time he has travelled across Canada wherever and whenever possible to put across his theme of making the country a single Canada.

Mr. Thorson, a Rhodes scholar, was appointed Dean of the Manitoba Law School in 1921 and elected to the House of Commons in 1926, 1935 and 1940. In 1941 he was appointed Minister of Natural Resources and the following year appointed President of the Exchequer Court.

He played a major role in the organization of the International Commission of Jurists. An authority on international law, he retired from the Bench in 1964. Last year, the 81 year old former Chief Justice started a court action to challenge the constitutional validity of the Official Languages Act.

Mr. Thorson was scheduled to speak in Edmonton in October last year but felt it inappropriate to do so because of the murder death at the time of Pierre Laporte, Quebec Minister of Labor.

Mr. Thorson is scheduled to speak as a guest at the Norwegian Torske Clubben, Tuesday, May 4, at a noon dinner at The Scandinavian Centre, then at the Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium in the Social Room commencing at 8:00 p.m.

On Books And Articles

"TRAVEL IN NORWAY" is a supplement by Norwegian News (Nordisk Tidende). It includes articles and pictures from various sections of Norway, a list of coming events in different parts of the country, stories on touring and fishing, facts about Norway and other useful information for the visitor to Norway. (Price \$0.50. Available from "Travel in Norway", 8104 - 5th Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11209).

Baby Born Aboard SAS Plane

From Swift News

Twenty-one years ago a baby girl was born 16,000 feet above the cold and stormy North Atlantic Ocean aboard a Scandinavian Airline plane while it was flying between Germany and the United States.

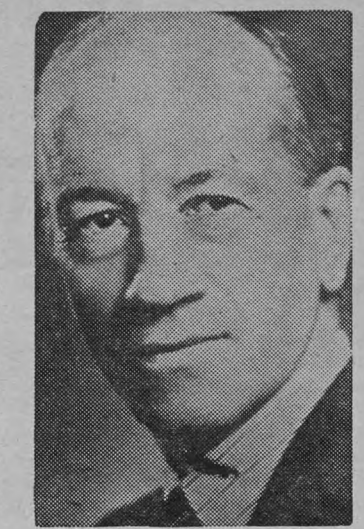
Recently, Sverre Rolbiecki, the baby in question, celebrated her 21st birthday at the invitation of Scandinavian Airlines System in Oslo, Norway.

After a "bon voyage" party at the International Terminal, O'Hare Field, Chicago, Miss Rolbiecki set off for Oslo accompanied by the stewardess, Mrs. Barbro Wenngren Johansen, who became a mid-wife to help deliver Sverre.

Even though Sverre is a boy's name in Norway, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rolbiecki, Sverre's parents, named her after the plane which bore the name of Sverre Viking. All SAS aircraft are named after an ancient Viking chieftain.

The parents, displaced persons originally from Gdynia, Poland, were taking their family to the United States from post-war Germany when Sverre, their fourth child, was born.

Sverre has been a favorite with Scandinavian Airlines through the years. During her childhood SAS held an annual birthday party for Sverre and they invited her to cel-



JOSEPH T. THORSON

Deaths

General Arne G. Lund Dies at 52

General Arne G. Lund, Norway's Defense, Military and Air Attache to the United States, died at the Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 9.

General Lund participated in the campaign in Norway in April 1940, served in the organized resistance movement 1940-41, and served in the United Kingdom with the Norwegian Brigade and the Norwegian Independent Parachute Company 1942-45. He attended Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas 1951-52 and was a staff officer at SACLAN Head-quarters at Norfolk, Virginia 1954-57.

From Aug. 28 to Sept. 25, 1963, and from Oct. 15, 1965, until assuming his duties in Washington, D.C. Oct. 1968, he served as Under Secretary of Defense.

UPPSALA, Sweden - Prof. Theodor Svedberg, 86, Nobel laureate, winner of the chemistry prize in 1926.

Toronto - Dr. Hans T. F. Lundberg, 77, Swedish-born prospector and World traveller credited with tracing more new mineral deposits than any other Canadian.

celebrate her 21st birthday during a special visit to Norway.

Three of the SAS personnel closely associated with the flight 21 years ago were at the airport to toast Sverre on her departure for Norway. They were B. John Heistein, now vice president and general manager of SAS/North America, then a passenger agent, who assisted the Rolbiecki family when the plane landed; Neils Jensen, a purser on the plane who was also purser on the 21st birthday flight; and Mrs. Johansen, the stewardess at the time.

While in Norway Sverre was entertained royally. She was escorted to Sound City, a popular Oslo discotheque and also during the week she attended a showing of the film "Song of Norway". She also visited leading attractions including the Kon-Tiki museum.

The week passed swiftly and Sverre returned home laden with a treasure of happy memories, especially her private audience with His Majesty King Olaf V at the Royal Palace in Oslo.

One of the first things Miss Rolbiecki did after her return was to complete her application for United States citizenship. Prior to this time, she has held an alien registration card, since her birth over the North Atlantic left her a child without a country.

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(Top left from left to right to right bottom) (1) Icelandic — Solli Sigurdson centre. (2) Klondike Bust Out — Grand Finale. (3) Dance Hall Can Can Dancers (4) Swedish — Midsummer Celebration. (5) Danish — St. Hans Eve. (6) Ole Swede — William Clifford. (7) Musical Saw Solo — Klondike Bust Out — Harlo Sorenson. (8) Finish — Harvest Time. (9) Icelandic Fishing Village. (10) Klondike Dancers — Judie Kugler School of Dancing. (11) Viola Wallbank and Solli Sigurdson — Prairie Scene. (12) Entire Cast — Grand Finale.

SCANDAPADES '71 WAS GREAT!

By Shirley Thorvaldson

It was an event to be proud of. "Scandapades '71" was a great success! Some of the remarks overheard were: "It was a great show, I'll be back next year," "It was one of the best shows ever," "I'm sure glad I came," "The sets were striking."

The original script for "Salute to our Forefathers" was written by Scandinavian Centre director Gary Johnson, directed by Jack McCreath, narrated by Don Shaw. Stage manager was Scandinavian Centre director Harv Haugen and set designs by Knut Svidal.

The evening's entertainment began with a presentation of the Canadian, Swedish, Norwegian, Icelandic, Finnish and Danish flags and the playing of their national anthems. The audience and honored guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Faltinson of 14423 - 88 Avenue, were welcomed by the Scandinavian Centre chairman, Ellsworth Halberg. Mr. Halberg then introduced our Scandinavian queen, Miss Linda Nelsen, who looked lovely in a floor-length, shimmering, mauve

gown as she was escorted on stage by her brother, Ron Nelsen.

The first act was presented by the five ethnic groups as they sang, danced, did gymnastics and frolicked through the first half of the program. The entertainment was colorful, lively and presented the audience with a picture of life in the mother countries. The scene closed as immigrants leave their homelands to begin a new life in Canada.

The second act opened on an eye-catching abstract setting of a log cabin and fence, and told of the difficult life of the pioneers. Then it's time to forget their worries as the fun and gaiety of the early century was recalled and they are off to a saloon scene with colorful Klondike clothes, honky-tonk piano and banjo, a sparkling chandelier, gay red and white checkered table clothes and dozens of happy, singing people who romped their way through many old sing-a-long numbers. They sang, the dancing gals kicked up their heels and all too soon the evening closed with the finale "Singing a Song of Al-



SHIRLEY THORVALDSON

berta" written by Jack McCreath.

The cast was large, talented and they worked especially hard to present an excellent show. The credit goes to Sollie Sigurdson, Viola Wallbank, Ron Nelsen, Peter Carstensen, Ole the Swede, Esther Lauridsen, Harlo Sorenson, the square

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MARGARET CAMERON

dancers, the gymnasts, the tap dancers and to all the performers of the five ethnic groups.

The audience was warm and appreciative and applauded throughout the show.

Display cases, set up in the lobby by the ethnic groups, drew large crowds to view their souvenirs, books, pottery, silver, ceramics,

woollens and various other items.

A dance, featuring lively Scandinavian music, followed the stage production with music by Edwin Eriksson and his orchestra of Drayton Valley.

Coffee and Scandinavian pastry was served by Mrs. Vera Nielsen and her helpers from the five ethnic groups.

Margaret Cameron is to be congratulated for her untiring work as co-ordinator of "Scandapades '71" and her assistant, Gary Johnson.

Bengt Kristiansson, who was the Swedish ethnic representative and also in charge of properties for "Scandapades '71", is the co-ordinator for "Scandapades '72".

"Scandapades" is an essential part of the Scandinavian Centre's program and must continue to grow, presenting new and different talent to constantly broaden our audience appeal. We benefit from "Scandapades" by the groups working in close contact and getting to know each other, enriching our lives by preserving our cultural heritage and learning under the supervision of an excellent director, such as, Jack McCreath.

VASA LODGE SCANDIA



By Joyce Hawkes

Chairman Lennart Petersson opened the meeting on March 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Nordic Room in the Scandinavian Centre.

The charter was draped in black, and a minute of silence declared in memory of Brother Gust Lundgren who passed away on Feb. 7. Brother Lundgren was born November 22, 1887 in Gagnef, Dolarna, Sweden. An esteemed member of Skandia Lodge, he was initiated as a member of No. 273 on September 4, 1948.

The following young people conducted our meeting and did a very fine job of it, too:

Lorne Weiss, Chairman; Rita Pearson, Secretary; Fae Johnson, Treasurer; Glen Holland, Master of Ceremonies; Linda Samuelson, Vice Chairman; Ken Eliasson, Assistant Master of Ceremonies.

We were honoured by visits from Brother John Holmlund, District Master; Brother Floyd Modin, Grand Deputy; George Sjogren, District Cultural Leader. We enjoyed hearing their addresses.

Members reported as sick include: Evelin Modin, Martha Dahl, Martha Kay, Elof Linden and Roy Maxwell in the Misericordia Hospital, Michael Skoog under doctor's care, John Jerratt in St. Joseph's hospital.

A big hand to Ben Kristianssen, our Cultural Leader, for being elected to the board of The Scandinavian Centre as a Director, helping and doing such a good job with Scandapades, and for becoming co-ordinator of Scandapades for next year. You are going to be a busy man, Ben.

Harry Binstrom sent greetings from Rome.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Erickson wrote to the Lodge thanking them for their kindness to Brother Lundgren, during his membership.

The District Convention will be held in Leduc on June 26 and 27. The following people will go as delegates: Don Johnson, Linnea Lodge, Eric Pierre, Hansine Pierre, Harold Markstrom, Joyce Hawkes; Alternates: Mildred Weiss, Fae Johnson.

As usual we had a beautiful lunch after the meeting. Fae Johnson, Linnea Christensen and Violet Watson provided the food.

Following the meeting there was a dance, at which everyone had a really good time. I hope Oscar Pearson and Ben Kristiansson were able to stand up next day. They really wore that floor to a frazzle. (They weren't dancing together). The music was supplied by The Yellow Sunshine, a very talented young group.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, April 3, 7:00 p.m.

Regular monthly meeting of the Vasa Lodge Skandia in the Nordic Room. New members will be installed at this meeting. After the meeting, The Drill Team will host a Wine and Cheese party.

Wednesday, April 7 —

A coffee party and sale of home-baking in Molson House at 2:00 p.m. The Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring this. Good door prizes, come and bring a friend.

Wednesday, April 21st

The Ladies Auxiliary meeting at the home of Mrs. Ragnhild Johnson, 11815 - 103 St. This meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 1 —

The regular monthly meeting of the Vasa Lodge Skandia at 7:00

p.m. to be held in the Nordic Room. After the meeting at 9:30, there will be Bingo arranged by the new members of 1970.

Friday, May 7 —

The Bowlers-Curlers banquet and dance. Plan to come.

VASA GLIMPSES

On the 20th of February a party arranged by Mrs. Harold Markstrom, Mrs. Andy Ogren and Mrs. M. Pearson and hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Markstrom was held to honor Mrs. Willard Modin who celebrated her 50th birthday on Feb. 13. A house full of her friends attended and a birthday cake was cut by the guest of honor. Games were played and a good time was had by all. A poem dedicated to Mrs. Modin was composed and read by Mrs. M. Pearson and a gift of money presented to her.

The Past President's Club held a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Pearson on Wed., March 3. Election of officers took place and a Jubilee celebration discussed.

Evelyn and Don Johnson had a lovely time in Spain and the Canary Islands. They came back to Edmonton for a day or two and, taking Jim with them, left again for the southern States.

At the Edmonton Construction Association curling bonspiel, Bert Watson came second in the "A" Event; Harvey Sundahl won the "D" Event. Another lodge member in the bonspiel was Ken Banks.

That three year old blond boy eating breakfast in the Corona Hotel is not really lost, he belongs to Verna and Lionel Larson.

Though no trophies were brought home, all had a very enjoyable time curling at Calmar. Thank you to the Buford Lodge for their hospitality.

Mrs. Svea Erickson went to Saskatoon to see Lulu, Harold and Lisa. As a result, she wasn't at the March meeting, and it just didn't seem the same without her.

VALHALLA OPENS IN EDMONTON

Alderman Una Evans cut a ribbon to officially open the new Valhalla at 99th Ave. and 113th St.

The name Valhalla, a link with the Vikings — first Europeans to visit North America — was chosen not only to reflect gracious living but also to describe the location. Valhalla in southern Sweden is considered the best viewpoint in the region. Design of the abstract relief on the end walls was inspired by Viking run stones discovered in mid-west America.

The slender tower rises from the quiet river valley of the North Saskatchewan River, well removed from avenue traffic. The site was selected to provide a feeling of spaciousness and light, blending harmoniously with the graceful design of the building.

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Gothenburg Celebrates 350th Anniversary

Something is scheduled for every day of 1971 as Gothenburg, Sweden, takes a year-long festival to celebrate its 350th anniversary.

In size, Gothenburg is comparable to Edmonton with a population of 446,875. Although an older city, its industries, oil refining and manufacturing, are relatively new and clean.

The city is the home of the Volvo and with three major shipyards — Gotaverken, Eriksberg and Linholmen — is the largest ship-building city in the world.

It's also known as the gateway to Scandinavia, but this is usually forgotten by tourists in their rush to visit Stockholm.

Bringing international recognition to the city is planned by staging a series of world-famous sporting and cultural events throughout the year.

In fact, Gothenburg is hoping to bring the U.S.S.R., Czechoslovakia, Sweden and Canada together in a major hockey tournament although it appears they are having little success with the Canadian entry.

Other events included: The World Skating Championships, Calypso 1971, an international orchid exhibition, in February. There will be The International Swedish Trade Fair May 7-16; European judo championships May 19-23; an international folkdance festival in August involving 14 countries and 1,100 participants; the Moscow Ballet in September, and the opera, Aida.

"The highlight of the Festival comes on June 4, the 350th anniversary of the granting of the city's charter. The city centre will be open to artists and entertainers and bonfires will go on into the night.

"We plan to have something every day," said Staffin Gnosselius of the Gothenburg Jubilee Committee.

From June 15 to Aug. 15 Gothenburg hotels will offer three nights' lodging and two meals daily from \$9 to \$12. This discount will be provided throughout the year on weekends.

Gothenburg is constructing its own form of Omniplex for the celebration and conventions in the future. The facility, Scandinavium, is being built in the city centre.

Scandinavium is capable of holding 14,000 spectators.

It has been built to stage concerts, ballets, ice shows, hockey, fashion displays, circuses, football, horse shows and conventions.

For those interested in industrial, political and urban developments, special arrangements have been made. The city's tourist bureau has made plans for foreign visitors to meet with people who share similar interests.

Gothenburg is considering the development of a system of rapid transit. Currently streetcars are the main type of transportation.

Skiing is Believing

Since 1930, with the introduction of ski lifts and the development of better equipment, skiing has become North America's most popular winter sport. But no one knows for sure who discovered it. Doubtless it started in Scandinavia, where the people regarded it as not so much a sport as a method of transportation.

The oldest skis were made of bones from large animals. One pair on exhibit in Stockholm is about 5,000 years old. Skis were used by Scandinavian army troops as far back as 1200, but skiing as a sport didn't start there until the early 1800s. It spread to the rest of Europe, and settlers from Scandinavia brought it to North America in the 1850s.

SUNNY ALBERTA

By Fred Olesen

Sunny Alberta, blue sky above, home of the prairie rose, wide-spread are your forests, like planted in rows, stately the spruce tree grows. Neath the sunny sky

your lovely lakes lay dreaming, and golden grain fields are swaying in the sun. Proud in static pose your mountain-tops are gleaming. Your rapid rivers pour and roar and run. Sunny Alberta, land that I love, you are my own—my home.



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By Thor Hansen - 1943

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And life not a quest for gold.

A treasure wrought out of peace and strife,
A treasure of saga and song
Of music and art and of simple life
And fellowship, rich and strong.

No. Denmark is not just a speck on the globe,
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DANIA DOINGS



By Vera Nielsen

Claus Jacobsen would like to extend his sincere thanks to all Danes who participated in Scandapades '71 and helped to make the Danish Set Hans Eve celebration a success. Also thanks to Commercial Electric for the Equipment. Thanks to all for a job well done. Looking forward to seeing you again in our 19th Scandinavian Variety Show in 1972. Till then keep smiling and remember eyes on second balcony.

Where were you all on March 5th? The attendance was very small, but we trust the ones that showed up had a nice time. Sorry for the mistake that was made in the March issue about our Supper and Dance on April 3, as the write up came under the Icelandic News instead of under DANIA DOINGS. However we hope that you will all get to know about it before this issue, as it will be too late. The Membership Draw will be \$30.00 as the last Draw on March 5 was Mr. Marius Granstrom and he was not present to receive the \$25.00.

"BIKUBEN" will meet Monday, April 19 at 12424 - 141 St., 8:00 p.m.

Sorry to hear that Mrs. Ruth Mork has been in the hospital and we did not know about it. Hope you are fine, Ruth.

Glad to hear that Mrs. Johanne Christensen is home again from the hospital. Hope you will soon be strong and around your friends again.

April 7 will be the last Whist-drive for this season, so let us see you that night. We start at 8:00 p.m. at the Scandinavian Centre DANIA Room.

Have you renewed your membership for 1971? Send \$5.00 to the secretary, Vera Nielsen, 12424 - 141 Street and you will get your card for 1971. Remember to show it when you come to the Dances.

As the New Year Party seemed to be a success with our members, we will try another evening like that, this time on Sat., April 3. Tickets will be available from all the board members or phone 454-5438 to reserve yours now. No one will be let in at the dance unless they have a \$3.00 ticket. Last day for ordering tickets will be April 1st. Tell your friends and make up a party and come and enjoy yourself. Good Music. Keep this in mind, as the April paper may not reach you in time, so mark your calendar now. We like to see you.

News From The Danish Church

By O. Filtenborg

In Memoriam:

On Feb. 23 Poul Frederick Carlsen passed away at the age of 67. Poul Carlsen was born in Aarhus, Denmark. He emigrated to the U.S.A. in 1925 when he was 21 years old. He married his American born wife, Jane, and they came to Canada in 1929. He farmed for many years, but as many other immigrants Poul Carlsen had tried many different jobs. His last job was for a sign-making firm.

The funeral was held Feb. 26 at Foster and McGarvey, and Pastor Filtenborg officiated. The interment was at Evergreen Memorial Gardens. Honour his Memory. The Easter Holiday Services In Denmark Holy Thursday (April

Northern Lights

By Clara Dalen

February was a very active month for members of "Northern Lights", Grande Prairie.

A very successful Valentine Dance was held at the Golf and Country Club with a wonderful attendance. Fort St. John and Dawson Creek members were in attendance. Music was supplied by members.

The monthly meeting was held in the Park Hotel. Installation of officers took place and a supper social followed.

On Sunday, Feb. 21, a delightful afternoon was held at the Sexsmith ski hill with more than 50 members and children taking advantage of the balmy day on the ski slopes. A pot luck chili supper was held in the Sexsmith Hall after the day on the hill.

SAS Training Aeroflot Hostesses For Trans-Siberian DC-8 Service

Air hostesses from Aeroflot Soviet Airlines are undergoing training at the moment for service on Board Scandinavian Airlines DC-8 Super Fans which will inaugurate the Trans-Siberian Express April 3.

The new route, linking Copenhagen and Tokyo via Moscow, will cut some four hours and 2,000 miles off the previous East-West Great Circle short cut. Operating in pool, SAS and Aeroflot will each provide weekly services.

Under terms of the agreement between the two airlines, three Aeroflot hostesses will serve among the cabin crew on the SAS Trans-Siberian Express while three SAS cabin attendants will perform similar duties on the Soviet service.

One group of a dozen Aeroflot air hostesses is attending the SAS Air Hostess College at Sandefjord, Norway, for familiarization with SAS cabin service procedures, catering equipment, meal and beverage service, sales on board, and other topics. A second group will also attend the week-long course. Similarly, SAS cabin attendants will study with Aeroflot in Moscow in March.

Operating the Trans-Siberian Express, SAS will fly from Copenhagen and Tokyo. Aeroflot will provide similar flights from the Danish and Japanese capitals.

8th) is a holiday with regular service in the morning, therefore, we also in Ansgar Danish Lutheran Church will have a Holy Communion Service in the evening at 8:00 p.m. It will be in English. Good Friday, the day we remember the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, a Danish Service with Holy Communion will be held at 11:00 a.m.; Easter Sunday, Danish Service at 10:00 a.m. and English Service at 11:00 p.m.

Bazaar —

On Friday, April 16, at 8:00 p.m. Ansgar Ladies Aid invite you to their Spring Bazaar in the Church Basement. There will be many fine things to buy also good prizes such as a barbeque, a carpet sweeper, a framed embroidery of "the Blue Boy", flowers and a Hamper with lots of goodies. As usual coffee will be served with Danish "Smorrebrod".

80 Years —

Congratulations to Mrs. Christophersen whose birthday was in February, and also to Mrs. Christine Sorensen, whose birthday is April 28. Mrs. Sorensen is still ready to go on trips, she will soon be on a trip to eastern Canada and then to Vancouver to visit friends and relatives. At Scandapades she was seen on the stage with the group of Danish Singers.

FINNISH SOCIETY



By Anne Sahuri

Many thanks to Mrs. Helvi Rastas who was the hostess of last month's sewing circle.

Finnish Society held a spring dance and a box-lunch evening on March 6th, when we had the first opportunity to hear the newly taped fine music.

Many thanks to all who took part in Scandapades '71, by coming to rehearsals, taking part in performances, selling tickets or helping in any way. Special thanks to the ladies in the lunch-committee.

"I wish to thank the Finnish Society for the flowers and also many thanks to all my friends for flowers, cards and visits I received while in hospital recently."

Rita Salo.

Recent visitor in Edmonton was Mr. John Luoma of Saskatoon, Sask. While in Edmonton, visiting friends, Mr. Luoma had an opportunity to attend Scandapades '71.

Finnish Society membership fees are payable to Mr. Vilho Ristola, 13013 - 82 St., Ph. 476-3483.

K. Magnussen Wins Medal

At Lyons, France, where the world figure skating championships were held at the end of February, Karen Magnussen came third and won the bronze medal in the women's division. Karen, who comes from North Vancouver, recently won the North American women's singles figure skating title at Peterborough, Ont.

Although not a favorite, Beatrix Schuba of Austria won top honors copping the gold medal, while Julie Lynn Holmes of United States took the silver medal.

Miss Magnussen was not happy with the judging; she thought she deserved better marks in the school figures, and felt that the judges do not in fact give equal weight to both disciplines by reducing the margins of difference between competitors in the compulsories.

Still, the 18-year-old North American champion had a bronze medal, and in her hotel, the Canadian delegation gave her a reception. Across the hall, the Austrians were celebrating with Miss Schuba and Karen heard about it.

She marched over to the Austrian reception, whisked Miss Schuba into the Canadian room and announced: "Now you're going to applaud the world champion."

Earlier, while being presented her medal, Miss Schuba had been booed.

Miss Magnussen explained. "I couldn't stand the poor sportsmanship."

Nobel Prizewinner Downs SST

Paul A. Samuelson, winner of the 1970 Nobel Prize in Economics, told a senate appropriations subcommittee that the United States supersonic air transport project is a colossal economic folly.

He said it was also absurd to suggest that the Anglo-French Concorde will be an economically-sound proposition.

Samuelson, a professor of economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said he is opposed to further government subsidization to develop the plane and later full-scale production.

How Wasa Got Its Name

From The Cranbrook Courier

Although the setting of the following story is a long way from East Kootenay, it should be of special interest to the people of that fast-growing little settlement surrounding the lake of the same name — "WASA". First chosen by Nils Hanson, who established a small settlement there in the eighties, the name goes back many years in Scandinavian history.

Our story tells of the short life of a mighty battleship built in 1628 by the King of Sweden, who named it "Wasa". After it sank tragically on its maiden voyage, it lay forgotten on the ocean floor for over 300 years, to be finally raised in 1959, and is now on display as a giant tourist attraction at Wasavarvet, Sweden.

King Gustav Adolphus of Sweden may not have realized he was building a tourist attraction. All he wanted was a whopping great warship.

In the Wasa, however, he got both, although it didn't do him much good. As a battleship the Wasa was — literally — a dead loss . . . and the tourist bit didn't come for another 300 years.

LAUNCHED IN 1628

Three years in the building, the Wasa was launched at the Blasieholmen naval dockyard and on August 10, 1628, sailed on her maiden voyage — a stately floating fortress of pine and oak, of 1,400 tons displacement, 190 feet long and 36 feet in the beam. Capt. Soeffring Hanssen, a Dane, was in command of a crew of about 133. Three hundred soldiers were to board later at the Alvsnabben Naval Base.

To the people of Stockholm who perhaps crowded the green hillside at what is now the Skansen pleasure gardens, she must have made a brave picture on that summer's day as she eased down the Salstjoen channel past the small island of Beckholmen, the sun bright on white sails and gleaming gilt, with gay commissioning pennants streaming in the breeze.

With a little imagination — stimulated perhaps by a cold beer or a glass of Schnapps, you can sit on a terrace at Skansen today and recreate the scene.

A scattering of cheers, perhaps, from the original watchers at Skansen. Coloured kerchiefs flutter as the great ship comes abeam of the small island of Beckholmen, heeling to the breeze. And then the incredible happened.

Perhaps there was a sudden gust of wind or maybe the ballast was not sufficient for all that top-hamper and the 71 tons of armament, but in a moment of horror the pride of the Royal Swedish Navy was heeling farther and farther. Water pours into the gunports and with shocking speed, the Wasa was gone in 110 feet of water. It might as well have been 110 miles as far as any salvage attempt was concerned. Nearly 40 years later, in 1664, some primitive diving equipment was developed and 53 of the ship's guns were recovered, but that was the end of the story for almost 300 years.

FIRST CLUE IN 1956

It was in 1956 that a man named Anders Franzen located the wreckage of a large ship lying just off Beckholmen Island. Naval historians plunged into dusty archives and concluded this was the long-forgotten Wasa.

In 1959 the salvage ships managed to lift the hulk free of the harbor bottom and tow it under the surface to shallower water off Kastellholmen. But it was April, 1961 before they were able to bring the massive oak ship to the surface, almost 333 years after she had sunk. They pumped out most of the

water and mud, towed her to the Beckholmen drydock and placed her on a concrete float. As archaeologists went to work, the salvage men built an aluminum housing over the ship and towed her, on the floating base, to a permanent home in a side channel just a few hundred yards below the Skansen gardens.

SHIP NOW ON DISPLAY

Here, at the Wasavarvet, or Wasa Dockyard, Sweden launched a mammoth project to restore the ship and put her on display in a giant exhibition hall.

Catwalks surround the hall at various levels for visitors to walk around. When the water is turned on it's like a close look at Niagara Falls. By 1970 the experts were to have the hull in shape for visitors to go on board.

A separate exhibition room is set aside for the more than 4,000 coins and other relics which were found scattered through the wreckage, some lying around loose, others in purses or wrapped in cloth, many in among personal belongings, sea-chests or barrels.

HAD REAL GRANDEUR

The sculptures from the ship are gathered in yet another gallery. Although they are only fragments of the monumental total, they give some idea of the regal grandeur the great battleship must have once displayed. Ideally, anyone who's interested in the Wasa story should lunch at Skansen, which is a rewarding place in itself and boasts several restaurants. After that, with the feeling that you may never eat again, the terrace outside is an ideal place to relax in the sun. Here, overlooking a panorama of the city and the Saltsjoen channel, you should read the Wasa story and set the scene for what is to follow.

For once you are mobile again, a short cab-ride or a pleasant downhill stroll will take you to the next exciting stage in this continuing saga.

LEGEND

Many centuries before the Wasa itself was built, Sweden and the other countries close by — Norway, Denmark, etc. — were all ruled by kings. Each king had a rather small kingdom of his own, had complete authority in every way over his subjects, owned them body and soul, and in some cases treated them as slaves or worse.

This King Wasa was different, he put into effect many changes for his subjects which, at that time and under conditions as they existed, were considered extremely radical, nevertheless, his kingdom apparently prospered and his name became a legend to the present day.

D. A. MacDonald.

YACHT LOST

Bjorn Christian Lohr's 29-foot yacht Frilo was found drifting empty in the Atlantic Ocean. Authorities in Curacao said they have no clues to the fate of the 51-year-old Danish-born Lohr, who set out Dec. 31 on a solo Atlantic crossing.

The yacht was found drifting undamaged several days ago by the British freighter Port Vindex, which brought the Frilo to Curacao.

Lohr sailed from Plymouth, England, Dec. 31 and called at Coruna, Spain, several days later. He has not been heard from since.

Olav Sveen On Tape

Olav Sveen's LP record "Echoes of Scandinavia" is now available at all music stores on 8 track stereo tape No. EBXE-84160.

Of interest to Scandinavians is the colour cover of both the LP record and the tape. The picture portrays lovely Mrs. Paul Karvonen (Mary) and Paul's beautiful cousin, Tuula Moisio, both in national costume. The photo is through the courtesy of the Finnish Society of Edmonton.

NORDSTJERNAN NEWS

By Dan Edin

Many thanks to Buford Lodge for hosting another get-together for curlers on Feb. 20. Congratulations to the winners. (Sorry that we are unable to quote names).

Approximately 30 members attended our regular meeting held at the home of Br. Darryl Wollin on Feb. 20. Thanks to the committee of Reino and Doug Havanka for organizing a most enjoyable card party which followed the business meeting. Prizes were given to the winners (men and women) plus consolation prizes for same.

The Skating Party at Falun Rink was successful; it would have been more so if it had not conflicted with other community functions. The flu bug also has been interfering with many things.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Gustav Helmer Lind, 58, who passed away recently in New Westminster, B.C. Helmer was a former resident of Falun and, for several years, was a member of Nordstjernan Lodge.

The John Holmlund's motored to Calgary on March 13 to take in the District Curling and visit relatives. John would also attend the District Meeting at this time.

The Ron Holmlund's and the George Sjogren's left March 12 for Calgary. George will be attending a District Board Meeting as well as taking in some of the curling in which Ron will be participating. All will be visiting relatives while there.

Swedish lessons conducted by Br. John Holmlund commenced Feb. 21. Much enthusiasm and interest have been shown thus far.

We are happy to report that Br. Dave Ogren is home after having spent approximately two weeks in hospital.

Carl and Ruth Jensen attended "Scandapades" in Edmonton on Feb. 27.

Despite the fact that so many members were involved in other activities, the regular meeting held at the home of Br. Bill Flinkman on March 13 was well attended. We are hoping for a day of fun and relaxation for all members who wish to bowl at Western Lanes.

A committee was appointed to take care of arranging teams to be entered in the District Bowling Tournament being held in Medicine Hat on May 8. Appointments were made for three delegates (with alternates) to the District Convention, hosted by Buford Lodge, being

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held in Leduc on June 26 and 27. Again Court Whist was enjoyed following the meeting, with prizes given to high and low scores for men and women. Thanks to committee of Bill and Valerie Flinkman.

Next regular meeting will be held on April 3 at Lone Ridge Hall while the meeting of May 1 is scheduled for the home of Br. Mel Gabrielson.

Two Nordstjernan rinks were entered in the District Curling hosted by Branting Lodge, Calgary, on March 13. Results showed a tie between the Ron Fraser rink of Falun and the Bert Johnson rink of Calgary. Congratulations are in order for both of these rinks. However, Bert won the tie, leaving Calgary still in possession of the District Trophy. On behalf of Nordstjernan, thanks go to Henry, Cliff, Ron F., Buster, Ron H. Charlie, Phyllis and Faye for taking part in this annual event.

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Olaf Sveen:

The question of how the Norse thought of death and afterlife is interesting. It stretches the mind.

Last time we were talking about the old Norse notion of Hel and you quoted some authority who made a general summary of the Norse notion of afterlife in general.

What was that again?

Dr. Tom Nelson:

Oh, that quote was from Ellis-Davidson. In her book, "The Road to Hell", she says "we thus have two separate conceptions which have left traces in the literature; there can be survival either through a life lived with the gods after the end of life on earth or through re-birth out of the grave".

You see the Norse not only had a very different notion of Hel than we have and, indeed, much more different than most people have been taught they had, but they also had the notion that not everyone who died left the earth. In general, there was the belief that the person went through repeated cycles of life and death while on earth.

Once in Hel there was no return. Even Odiu and the gods were not able to get the god, Balder, out of Hel. But it seems that there was a certain element of human choice about going to Hel. It perhaps depended on what was done with the corpse. If it were burned, the soul was released and went to Hel — whatever division. If it were buried, a widespread belief was that the soul stayed alive inside the body but could transfer out of the body to another at birth. This commonly happened when the child was specifically given the name of the person sitting or lying in the home.

Olaf:

Do you mean that the old Scandinavians believed at some point that a person, or what Christians call the soul, could migrate into another body after death?

Dr. Nelson:

Yes, I do. Ellis-Davidson gives a lot of evidence showing that is certainly the case. Perhaps an example she furnishes from the old literature will establish the idea of rebirth I am trying to get across. This case is taken from the old literature and is doubly interesting since it involves an account of the famous king, Olaf, the Holy or St. Olaf. It is taken from the "Flateyjarbok".

The evidence begins with an account of how another Olaf was worshipped in his tomb after death. In this regard we should later say something about the function of burial mounds in Scandinavia. However, this person, Olaf Geirstadaalfr, who is dead, appears in a dream to an alive man named Hrani. He tells him, among other things, to break into his barrow and take away the gold ring, knife and belt of the occupant. He is to go with these to a woman expecting a baby. The woman is Asta, the wife of Harald the Greenlander, who is expecting to give birth but is in trouble. Hrani goes and tells her he can help her if she will agree to name the boy "Olaf". She agrees and he puts the belt around her. Her condition changes for the better and in due course the boy born is named "Olaf". He later becomes the famous King Olaf the Holy.

Much later, we are told King Olaf the Holy rode with his bodyguard past the home of Olaf Geirstadaalfr. "Tell me, lord," says one of his men, "were you buried here?" The King replied to him "My soul has never had two bodies; it cannot have them, either now or on the Resurrection; if I spoke otherwise there would be no common truth or honesty in me." Then the man said: "They say that when you came to this place before you spoke

so and said: 'We have been here reflected in reasoned belief, have un-before also.'" "I have never said expected depth, strength and sanity. this" said the King, "and never will Next time lets talk about the re-lation of Balholl and other realms of Hel and outline specific differences between Hel spelled H-E-L and the Christian H-E-L-L."

Olaf:

This means that an old Norseman might believe that he had been alive before?

Dr. Nelson:

Yes, quite clearly. This accounts for the fact that they had no fear of the dead. After all they might have been dead before and might be dead yet again and alive again. They slept in the Saints groves in Ireland, you know, and tried to provoke the Saints to fight them. And they had the "Draugh", too. These were the dead who did not wait patiently in their grave. They walked and caused trouble to those now alive. They sometimes dug those dead they suspected of this and burned them and, in so doing, sent them to Hel.

Olaf:

Well, this raises a lot of questions! I thought that Volholl was the afterlife, a sort of heaven even though I realize that you denied this at one point. And what about Hel and the afterlife? It is all so different from the way Christians conceive of things and use the Norse word "Hell".

Dr. Nelson:

Yes, it is. Our heritage is rich and complex. We have probably given disproportionate attention to adventure and war at the expense of neglecting the vigorous and unique thought patterns of our ancestors. These thought patterns re-

Norwegian Tanker Sinks

Six crew members died following an explosion that sank the Norwegian tanker Ferncastle in the Atlantic.

Earlier, a Spanish freighter reported it had picked up 35 survivors after the explosion, which broke the tanker in two and headed for Lisbon.

Swedish Caviar

By Mme. Jehane Benoit

Very good Swedish or Danish black cod roe caviar is available on the market, sometimes sold under the name "lumpfish" caviar. The best thing about it is its price — one-third that of true caviar.

¾ cup whipping cream
about 2 oz. (60 gr.) lumpfish caviar.
2 tbsp. finely chopped green onions.
freshly ground black pepper
3 - 6 hard-boiled eggs
rye bread.

Whip the cream until stiff. Stir in caviar, chopped onions, and place in a mound on a colored plate. Refrigerate 1 hour, then sprinkle generously with pepper and arrange sliced or quartered eggs around it. Cut bread into fingers or rounds. Butter them, toast in a 325° oven and serve in a basket.

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